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MPs back to the Hill

Co-operation hoped for as new session begins

Partisan instincts and political philosophies will be tested when MPs return to Parliament Hill tomorrow.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who vowed during the election campaign not to run a deficit, now faces pressure to start deficit spending to kick-start the economy. The Liberals, meanwhile, will be trying to shake off a post-election funk under a caretaker leader until a new party boss is chosen next May.

But with election-weary Canadians worried about

Priorities to be outlined

• The government presents its priorities in Wednesday's throne speech. It's expected the speech will highlight the government's intention to

accelerate infrastructure spending and deliver on campaign promises for targeted aid to sectors of the Canadian economy.

the economic downturn, all 308 MPs are feeling pressure to be on their best behaviour and curb the partisan antics that poisoned the last Parliament.

Whether that spirit of co-operation survives the first question period will be seen, but MPs of all

stripes are vowing to give it their best shot.

Government House Leader Jay Hill called on all MPs not to "refight the last election campaign" and said the low turnout in the Oct. 14 vote should send a signal to every MP that Canadians are souring on

the tone of federal politics and want MPs to work co-operatively when possible.

That was echoed by Liberal House Leader Ralph Goodale, a parliamentary veteran who says the last session of Parliament was "as nasty" as he has ever seen.

"While there's all sorts of responsibility to spread around, when you get into that kind of poisonous atmosphere, it is primarily the government's responsibility to set the tone," Goodale said.

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Uteck Old college try



University of Calgary Dinos' Nathan Coehoorn, left, tries to catch the football against Olivier Turcotte-Letourneau of Laval University's Rouge et Or during the fourth quarter yesterday of the Uteck Bowl college football game at Laval University in Quebec City. **More page 10**

Collision kills three in Akwesasne police chase

DEATHS A weekend police chase on the Akwesasne Mohawk territory south of Ottawa ended in a collision that killed three people.

A minivan ran a stop sign at the intersection of Island and International Roads at about 8 p.m. on Friday. Police had been attempting to pull over the van during the evening.

Dany Gionet, 21, of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Que., reportedly struck a car with two 77-year-old occupants: Edward and

Eileen Kassian of Massena, N.Y.

All three people were pronounced dead at the scene.

The Akwesasne Mohawk Police have requested the Ontario Provincial Police's assistance with the investigation. Authorities would not say whether the chase was related to cigarette smuggling.

Any witnesses are asked to contact the OPP at (613) 534-2223. **CTVOTTAWA.CA**

Royal birds' swan song looming

VOTE Ottawa may finally be giving up its royal swans.

On Wednesday, a city committee will be voting to "gift" the birds — descendants of swans given to Ottawa by Queen Elizabeth II to mark Canada's centennial in 1967 — to another 'aviculture permit holder' next fall.

The city says it can't af-

ford to spend the estimated \$240,000 to \$545,000 needed to build a new shelter, and the life cycle of the swans' current wintering facility will run out in early 2009. **METRO OTTAWA**

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Metro World News Guest Editor Exclusive

James Blunt

Pop singer adds own flair to Metro

British pop star James Blunt is going behind the scenes at Metro today as our first-ever global guest editor. On the eve of his cross-Canada tour, the multimillion-selling singer-songwriter, best known for his hit single You're Beautiful, is providing input in our newsrooms, contributing to our Comment & Views page (pg 8), and focusing attention on Médecins Sans Frontières, an international medical humanitarian organization (see story at metronews.ca). Blunt also has something to say about online music sites in our World section. "With so much going on in the world right now," Blunt says, "I am looking forward to editing a newspaper, raising the profile of subjects close to my heart and hopefully have a little fun along the way." Visit metronews.ca to learn about Blunt's passion for skiing and his picks on where to hit the slopes, and find out more about what happens when Blunt trades in his guitar for a notepad.

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Harder suggests wage freeze at city hall could save \$30M

Barrhaven Coun. Jan Harder believes a proposed two-year wage freeze at city hall would help rein in the city's finances by saving \$30 million and reducing the number of jobs and services that would have to be cut. A council committee will debate the motion tomorrow.

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Ottawa



Postal strike looms

A postal strike before Christmas was looming last night as Canada Post workers said they'd walk off the job today if Ottawa-based negotiations remained at an impasse over the weekend. The collective agreement between the Public Service Alliance of Canada and Canada Post expired at the end of August.

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ByWard fees 'pocket change'

Lower fees for locals called insufficient to deter outside vendors

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A new bylaw meant to refresh the ByWard Market by encouraging local vendors has resellers in the area upset, but many area producers say they still won't move their wares downtown.

Recognizing local farmers and artists is a good step, but the proposed bylaw is not strong enough to be financially attractive because local producers would be forced to sell at less than the cost of pro-

duction to compete with resellers, said Andy Ter-auds, president of the Ottawa Farmers' Market.

"The most important criteria that people come here for is fresh, quality ... local products; price ends up being somewhere at number seven or eight on the list," he said.

But Market resellers, he said, can import cheaper goods and sell at a lower cost.

The proposed bylaw would see resellers paying up to \$900 for a stall, compared to local farmers paying only \$450, while stalls

"If they think \$900 is a deterrent, they're wrong. It's pocket change ... we're slowly losing the ByWard."

Gerry Rochon, Rochon Farms vendor

in prime locations would also be reserved for local producers. A committee will examine the proposal Nov. 20.

Local farmer Gerry Rochon has operated the Rochon Farms stall in the market for 45 years. He doubts the bylaw will create any real changes.

"If they think \$900 is a

deterrent, they're wrong. It's pocket change," he said. "We're slowly losing the ByWard, because people are losing faith in the vendors down there."

However, Amer Kobaisy, who operates the Island Design stall at George and ByWard Streets, said bylaw proponents have exaggerated the poor condition of

the market.

"They are making it look like a chaotic market, out of control to make changes that would eventually throw everybody out of here," he said.

Moving his stall to a location with less traffic would force him to shut down, he said.

Berhe Hogas, who operates near Kobaisy, said he is not opposed to changes in the market, but the new bylaw is fundamentally unfair. Vendors who have been at their location for many years should not be forced to move, he said.

Massage clinic reviewed by city

REVIEW A massage clinic in Ottawa's Hunt Club and Merivale Road area will have its licence reviewed today, following municipal allegations of "keeping a common bawdy-house."

The city's chief licence inspector is recommending that Ottawa revoke the licence of the Angel's Touch Massage Clinic, at 14 Bentley Ave. because continuation of the licence "may be adverse to the public interest", according to a department report.

Licensee Angela Davis is expected to appear before the city's License Committee today. Upon the advice of her lawyer, Davis declined comment on the issue yesterday. **METRO OTTAWA**

City groups plan culture cutback backlash

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Proposed cuts to city festivals, special events and the arts would have "devastating" effects here, the president of Ottawa Festivals said on the eve of a planned counter-offensive.

"The impact would be so serious that it would turn arts and festivals into a tailspin that would take years to recover from," Julian Armour said.

As a part of 2009 budget deliberations, council has proposed cutting festival funding completely and arts and heritage funding nearly in half. Various festivals, arts and heritage organizations will be pushing back, beginning at city hall tomorrow morning.

Ottawa's arts and cultural scene is too fragile to lose taxpayer support, Armour said. "Every organization is on the edge in terms of viability."

The cuts are counterproductive, supporters argue. The \$1 million that the city



Ottawa Festivals and Ottawa Tulip Festival president Julian Armour, pictured at the festival's site at Major's Hill Park yesterday, hopes the city will reconsider its proposal to cut festival funding from next year's budget.

would put into a festival would generate \$50 million that residents and tourists would spend on businesses, stores and restaurants, Armour said.

"For every dollar that the city puts into festivals, the

festivals are able to raise another \$21," he said. "The city is getting a really fantastic deal."

Ottawa International Animation Festival managing director Kelly Neall said the planned cuts "couldn't

come at a worse time: "With the recession looming, I don't think it will be a stellar year for sponsorship."

The animation festival, for example, is already pushed to the limit, she

Countering cuts

- Ottawa Festivals, representing 45 of the region's not-for-profit festivals, says it will "unite to fight" the proposed cuts.
- Their campaign will begin with a press conference tomorrow at city hall at 10 a.m.

said. "I think it would be hard to continue without council's support."

In addition to jobs, festivals also boost tourism — identified by the city as a key economic driver.

"Ottawa is beautiful, it's clean, it's safe, it's inexpensive and we have beautiful museums, but we need a catalyst for people to come. Destroying the content would mean devastation."

Barb Stacey, executive director of Ottawa Festivals, called the proposal "shocking."

"Arts and heritage organizations provides countless social and economic returns," she said.

News in brief

ROBBERY Gatineau police are searching for a man who held up a convenience store in the Hull area early yesterday morning. Around 4:50 a.m. yesterday, the man entered the store at 51 Fournier Blvd. with what appeared to be a handgun hidden in his black coat. He escaped on foot with cash

and STO bus tickets, and ran towards the nearby Jardins du Souvenir Cemetery. Police did not find him. The suspect is described as a thin, white French-speaking man in his 20s wearing a black coat and hat. He is about five-foot-10 tall and weighs around 135 pounds.

METRO OTTAWA

School bus driver allegedly drank beer on the job

SAFETY A 26-year-old Ottawa school bus driver has been fired after police allegedly found beer on board a bus outside a west end elementary school.

Police say they checked on the driver after receiving a tip from a man who reported watching him

drink beer while parked outside Terre-des-Jeunes French Catholic school.

"I got a beautiful profile ... obviously the long stem and then he went and I saw him actually bring out another bottle," alleged Dennis Caron, whose apartment faces the school

grounds. "I mean, what are these kids going to do, get up and smell his breath? I mean, they have no way of protecting themselves."

Police say although the driver's blood alcohol level was under the legal limit, it was enough for a 12-hour suspension. **CTVOTTAWA.CA**

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Seven dead in B.C. plane crash

Seven people have died in a small plane crash on South Thormanby Island off British Columbia's Sunshine Coast, a spokesperson for the Joint Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Victoria has confirmed. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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Canada

Economists calling for bailout clarity

Prime Minister Stephen Harper came away from the emergency G20 meeting in Washington Saturday saying he was ready to boost spending and supports U.S. President George W. Bush's stand against re-regulation of the global economy, and appears to accept only limited, short-term deficit spending.

Moreover, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty argues the "open market system did not fail."

In recent weeks, Flaherty announced the government would buy \$75 billion in bank debt without strings. Although the finance minister hopes the banks would use the extra liquidity to reduce borrowing costs and loosen credit, it is merely a suggestion,

petition

Recently, the Progressive Economics Forum organized a petition, signed by 75 economists, political scientists, sociologists and union leaders, urging Harper's government to play an active role in stimulating the real economy of jobs and services through such measures as infrastructure spending and income support.

with no enforcement mechanism.

Progressive economists are urging the public to demand more transparency and serious regulatory clout in the Canadian economy in the face of a U.S.-style bailout.

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Vancouver **An Olympic mayor**



Gregor Robertson speaks in front of supporters in Vancouver Saturday after winning the city's mayoral election. Robertson, who will be mayor during the 2010 Winter Olympics, focused his campaign on battling homelessness, an issue that threatens to cast the city in a bad light during the Games.

News in brief

POLITICS When Parliament resumes sitting tomorrow, one of the first tasks for MPs will be picking one of their own as the House of Commons' speaker. The speaker is in charge of maintaining order in the House.

CRIME While a rise in violent iPod robberies has Toronto police warning the public to keep their MP3 players hidden, owners of another Apple product, the iPhone, are also being targeted by thieves. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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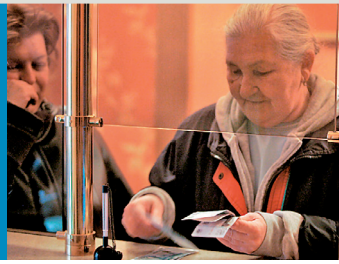
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Four militants dead in Israeli air strike

An Israeli air strike killed four militants in the Gaza Strip yesterday and Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said he had commissioned a plan for military action in the Hamas-run territory if rocket attacks on Israel persist. **REUTERS**

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World



Pawn shops booming

Pawnbrokers in the Russian capital of Moscow are enjoying the global credit crunch. Vadim Karashuk, head of Moscow's 16 state-owned pawn shops, says that business is good. "We're lending out more cash now than ever because the banks are giving less credit," he said.

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GUEST EDITOR JAMES BLUNT

New music just a mouse click away

The digital revolution has brought record stores into our homes, and it's a great thing. Sure, illegal file-sharing between friends and illegal downloading has decimated the music industry, and as such new bands are finding it harder to get investment to get them into recording studios. But as time goes on, there are an increasing number of easy-to-use, value for money, online music retailers. iTunes was at the forefront of the industry, but healthy competition is on its way, and hopefully, the music industry will find its feet again.



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Leaders unite to fight crisis

G20 looks for ways to tackle the weak global economy

World leaders pledged rapid action on Saturday to rescue a weakening global economy from the worst financial crisis in over 70 years and agreed to give emerging nations more say in running financial affairs.

The Group of 20 leaders from major industrialized and developing countries set out plans to toughen oversight for major global banks, study limits on banker pay and try for a breakthrough by year end in global trade talks — all part of a roadmap to rebuild a financial system crippled by the credit crisis.

“We must lay the foundation for reform to help ensure that a global crisis such as this one does not

“It is the worst crisis in 100 years. But the crisis could be a chance at the same time. History tells us that when we overcome crisis, a new order is created.”

Japanese Prime Minister Taro Aso

happen again,” they said in a statement after their first-ever summit.

They vowed to make progress before a second summit by the end of April.

President George W. Bush called the meeting, probably his last major economic event before he steps down in January, a success, saying leaders agreed to free-market, pro-growth policies.

“It makes sense to come out of here with a firm ac-

tion plan, which we have. And it also makes sense to say to people that there is more work to be done,” he said.

The G20 also called for fiscal stimulus measures, be they tax cuts or government spending, to take “rapid effect,” and urged more interest rate cuts.

But they fell short of announcing any new measures or major regulatory breakthroughs, and left it up to individual countries over what actions to take.

G20 support though could bolster efforts in the U.S. Congress to push through a second economic stimulus plan, which is opposed by Bush and backed by his successor. Britain, also heading fast into recession, may unveil tax cuts this month.

G20 warnings on the dangers of inaction were stark. “Economic momentum is slowing substantially in major economies,” it said.

“It is the worst crisis in 100 years,” said Japanese Prime Minister Taro Aso. “But the crisis could be a chance at the same time. History tells us that when we overcome crisis, a new order is created. We should not be just flustered by the crisis.”

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Business

Rescue cash can't create “prime” credit customers

The latest U.S. effort to get more money flowing to consumers assumes that there are plenty of credit-worthy households eager to borrow and spend.

That may not be the case.

Rising unemployment and foreclosures are driving more people out of the “prime” credit category, in which banks are still fairly willing to lend. At the same time, consumer confidence has fallen so far that even wealthier people with little trouble getting credit are cutting their spending.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson announced last week that he was redirecting a \$700 billion US rescue package to focus on consumer loans in an effort to spur lending and get the economy going again.

It was the third incarnation of a program launched last month that was initially touted as a way for the government to buy bad assets from banks and unclog credit channels. Instead, it has been used primarily to buy stakes in banks in the hope that the capital cushion

would encourage lending.

So far, there is little sign that banks are loosening their grip on cash, much to the frustration of the U.S. government and countries around the world that rely on a healthy U.S. consumer to drive economic growth.

“Capital does not automatically create credit-worthy-borrowers.”

Charles Dallara

Charles Dallara, managing director of the bank lobby group Institute of International Finance, said that just because banks have billions of taxpayer dollars in hand, it was unrealistic to expect normal lending to resume immediately.

“Capital does not automatically create credit-worthy borrowers,” he said. “In an environment where banks are already recovering from serious losses on earlier lending, it’s not only natural — it’s inevitable that there is a substantial degree of caution built in to lending activities.”

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California wildfires torch homes

EVACUATION Wildfires hopped-scotched around Southern California yesterday although calmer winds slowed flames that have destroyed almost 1,000 houses, forced tens of thousands to evacuate and turned some neighborhoods into scenes resembling war zones.

A pall of towering, choking smoke blocked out the sun in much of the Los Angeles area and in Orange County to the south-east after flames ripped through tinder-dry brush. The fires jumped freeways and reduced mobile homes, multimillion dollar mansions and apartment blocks to ashes in about a dozen communities.

At least 3 dead in tunnel collapse

CHINA At least three people were killed and 17 more were trapped when a half-built subway tunnel in the eastern Chinese city of Hangzhou collapsed, leaving a huge crater that also engulfed 11 vehicles, state media said yesterday.

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News in brief

TROOPS Iraq’s cabinet approved a pact yesterday that will let U.S. troops stay in the country until 2011, setting a final date to end a military presence that began with the 2003 invasion that toppled Saddam Hussein.

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Amnesty Zimbabwe women honoured



Left to right: Bokani Nleya, Jenni Williams, Tracy Leigh Doig and Magodonga Mahlangu from WOZA (Women of Zimbabwe Arise) pose with their prize before the Amnesty International 5th Human Rights Award ceremony in Berlin yesterday. Since its formation in 2003, WOZA members have been arrested numerous times for protesting the worsening conditions in Zimbabwe.

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Group therapy helps women with breast cancer live longer: Study

SURVIVAL Psychological group therapy for women with breast cancer may help them not only to cope better with their disease but also live longer, U.S. researchers said today.

The idea that such therapy can extend survival in cancer patients has been controversial for two decades. Past studies have yielded conflicting results.

Researchers led by Ohio State University’s Barbara Andersen studied 227 women with breast cancer. About half took part in a year of therapy in groups of eight to 12 patients led by two clinical psychologists, while the

“Survival is kind of the bottom line when it comes to cancer.”

Barbara Andersen

others did not.

After 11 years, the women who participated in the group therapy were 56 per cent less likely to die of breast cancer and 45 per cent less likely to have their cancer return, the researchers wrote in the journal Cancer.

“Survival is kind of the bottom line when it comes to cancer. So we have people being healthy, productive

people for longer — and that’s a huge health outcome,” Andersen, who helped lead the therapy groups, said in a telephone interview.

Michael Stefanek, an American Cancer Society behavioral research expert, expressed wariness.

“Psychological interventions have been found in the majority of well-controlled studies to enhance quality of life and reduce distress. It would not be reasonable for patients to participate in psychological interventions with the goal of extending survival,” he said in a statement.

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Auto execs in spotlight amid U.S. bailout talks

AUTOS U.S. automakers should consider executive shake-ups if it would ensure congressional backing for a bailout supporters say is needed to prevent industry collapse, an architect of the effort said yesterday.

The statement by Carl Levin of Michigan underscored the difficulty Democrats are having in finalizing a rescue plan of up to \$25 billion US and securing majority support in the Senate, which plans to begin debate on the matter today.

“If it was the difference between getting this kind of support or not, obviously the management should consider resigning,” Levin, a staunch industry ally, said on NBC.

Republican Richard Shelby cited corporate decision-making as the primary reason for Detroit’s distress, calling the industry a “dinosaur.”

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Mortgage rates starting to drop?

RATES Residential mortgage rates could be drifting lower after Bank of Montreal announced a “special” offer of 5.25 per cent on its benchmark five-year, fixed-rate home loan — 2.25 per cent lower than the current rate.

It was unclear whether BMO’s move marked the beginning of a larger trend, but it came two days after the feds tripled the size of its mortgage buyback program.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

In brief

HOMES The value of an existing Canadian home is worth \$30,000 less than a year ago, as the accelerated pace of the housing slowdown continues to surprise analysts. The average price of a home in October was \$281,133, compared with \$312,024 last October.

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BAILOUT Italy is preparing a multiyear plan worth 80 billion euros to help its ailing economy, the country announced after attending this weekend’s G20 meeting.

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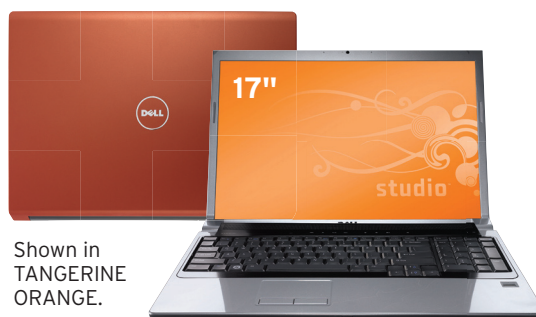
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Time to see green in the red

Guest Editor



This year, I have visited more than 180 cities on my world tour, and wherever I went — from Aberdeen to Auckland — one thing never failed to amaze me: air conditioning. It was blasting at sub-arctic levels in nearly every hotel I stayed, when most times it would

have been just as easy — and better for the environment — to open a window.

To me, hotel air conditioning is a small but telling reminder of the luxuries we have grown so accustomed to in an age of prosperity but could often do without. They are things — like SUVs, or fish caught half a world away or even disposable hand wipes — that barely improve our daily lives but, altogether, are taking a terrible toll on our planet.

So, as we read in newspapers like Metro about the economic slowdown, I wonder if there might be a silver lining in such grim news: The possibility that after a

period of so much consumption, we might cut back a bit on extravagances we don't need, and give our over-worked planet a bit of a breather?

I realize that many people roll their eyes when a celebrity preaches about the environment — or rescuing baby seals, or any other worthy cause. (I don't like preaching, either, and — contrary to what you might have read in the tabloids — I don't think of myself as a celebrity).

As an army officer and a musician, I have had the privilege of seeing some of the planet's natural treasures. Sadly, I have also seen the way that we abuse it by

"You can remind our leaders that the environment should not depend on the stock market."

dropping bombs and building shopping malls.

I don't pretend to be an environmental expert, but I am learning. Before my concerts, we screen a preview of An Inconvenient Truth, the remarkable documentary by former U.S. vice-president Al Gore. (www.aninconvenienttruth.com.au). I am installing solar panels at

home, and for every ticket to one of my concerts sold online, we plant a tree.

I'm a supporter of The Big Ask. It is a campaign by Friends of the Earth to get governments to reduce carbon dioxide emissions — the main cause of global warming. Thanks to them, the European Union is now debating laws that would force members to cut emissions by 20 per cent by 2020. If approved, it would be the most ambitious plan in the world, and just might convince the U.S., China and others to come aboard.

Unfortunately, some politicians are pointing to the economy and saying

that now is not the time to fight global warming. I think they have it backwards: We cannot afford to wait any longer. Global warming is a problem that is only going to get worse, and more costly to fix, the longer we delay. By joining The Big Ask, you can remind our leaders that the environment should not depend on the stock market.

And one more thing: next time you switch on the air conditioning, think about cracking a window open instead.

James Blunt is a British pop singer-songwriter whose hit single 'You're Beautiful' catapulted him to fame. He is currently touring Canada.

Views

Support girls' drive for education

By MAXINE CROOK

Horror news: Two men in Afghanistan sprayed battery acid in the faces of eight teenage girls just because they were heading to school.

Encouraging news: Five days later, from her hospital bed, 17-year-old Shamsia Husainai, her face a mass of excruciating burns and one eye blinded, bravely insists: "I will go to my school even if they kill me. I will continue my studies."

Shamsia shares this yearning for an education with 50 million girls who do not get to go to school.

While it's true that many boys also don't have access

to education, far more girls lose out on this basic human right. If a family must choose which of their children to educate, it's almost always a boy. Some cultures and religions discourage or forbid the education of girls. And girls, no matter how young, bear the burden of daily work at home, fetching water and firewood, looking after siblings, helping grow food.

This is a tragedy not just for the girls, but for the world! Study after study by international big players — the World Bank, UNICEF, Oxfam — all prove that when girls are educated, amazing things happen: poverty drops, the health of



Maxine Crook

families greatly improves, economies grow.

A woman who has even a basic education enrolls her children in school, has them immunized, has fewer children and knows how to keep them healthy. She is more likely to practise family planning, and has a lower incidence of HIV/AIDS.

A girl with education earns more, which gives her a voice at home and in her community. "Ending global poverty begins with women's rights," according to Oxfam. Women's rights begin with education.

Even the cowardly thugs who threw acid on schoolgirls will not be able to stop girls from pursuing an education. Girls know what they are missing, and when

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they get a chance, they do brilliantly well.

I am a volunteer with Give Girls A Chance, raising funds for projects that educate girls. I have seen their drive, their optimism, their hard work despite the most difficult backgrounds.

I think of Millicent Obiero, 14, an orphan in Kenya who made it from her tiny village to a high school far away, now near the top of her class.

I think of 10-year-old Selma, in Grade 4 in rural Pakistan, who writes: "My father dislikes my getting an education, so I earn my fees cleaning houses after school."

Each of us can help girls like Millicent, Selma and Shamsia by donating to organizations that fund education and women's rights, (e.g. Oxfam, PlanCanada), or Give Girls A Chance, which only funds girls' education (givegirlsachance.org).

Maxine Crook is a documentary maker and fund advisor to Give Girls a Chance, a Canadian charity that raises money to educate girls in Canada and around the world.



Shamsia Husainai, 17, lies on a bed at a hospital in Kabul Friday after an acid attack on her last Wednesday in Kandahar, Afghanistan.



Letters

Mick Levin, HALIFAX

Response to the global financial crisis was swift and significant. In contrast, response to the climate crisis has been fragmented and ineffective. This only illustrates that world leaders have the ability to combat climate change in a co-operative way.

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Going Green

Water down the drain

Canadians on average use 343 litres of water each day. Use of water in the average Canadian household: Bathroom (other than toilets – 35 per cent), toilets (30 per cent), laundry (20 per cent), kitchen and drinking (10 per cent), cleaning (5 per cent), according to Greenology: How To Live Well, Be Green And Make A Difference by Tanya Ha.

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British Columbia has identity crisis

ScienceMatters

David Suzuki & Dr. Faisal Moola



If you live in or have visited British Columbia recently, you'll have noticed a campaign to sell the province as "The Best Place on Earth." The government has spent tens of millions of dollars branding the province, and the tag-line for its PR campaign appears to be everywhere.

Those of us who live among the towering mountains, old-growth forests, and pristine lakes

and rivers feel we deserve these bragging rights on occasion. And ecologists tell us that B.C. is blessed with an exceptional diversity of wildlife and wilderness, on par with some of the greatest places on the planet, such as the Serengeti and the Great Barrier Reef.

My home province is Canada's richest region biologically — home to 76 per cent of our nation's bird species, 70 per cent of its freshwater fish, 60 per cent of its evergreen trees, and thousands of other animals and plants. More than 3,800 species are found here, and many of these, such as mountain goat and mountain caribou, live mostly — or only — in the province and nowhere else on the plan-



B.C. is now the last safe haven for many large animals.

et. For others, such as the trumpeter swan and sandhill crane, B.C. is a critical wintering ground or stopover in winged migrations that extend over thousands of kilometres.

Most remarkably, unlike most places in North America, B.C. still has all of the large and charismatic

megafauna that were present at the time of European settlement, including grizzly bears, wolves, and cougars. Indeed, British Columbia is now the last safe haven for most of the large animals left on the continent. For example, grizzlies still roam, feed, and breed throughout much of the province, whereas in California, this majestic bruin is now only found as an image on the state's flag.

B.C. has a rich legacy to protect, yet the experts tell us that we are squandering our unique biological inheritance. Earlier this year, scientists revealed that more than four dozen species have disappeared from the province, and the casualty list is growing. A further 1,600 species (43

per cent of all the plants and animals thought to exist in the province) are also in decline and are perhaps facing a similar fate unless action is taken.

Given the biodiversity crisis that is unfolding in my home province, I'm shocked that the government can claim we're the "best place on earth." We lag behind virtually every other place in North America in providing legal protection for our wildlife. B.C. stands out in Canada for not having an endangered species law, while smaller provinces such as New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have gone to great lengths to legally protect endangered species and their habitat. Take David Suzuki's Nature Challenge and

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Eagles and Bengals play to NFL's first tie in six years
Cincinnati's Shayne Graham missed a 47-yard field goal with seven seconds left in overtime to ensure the NFL's first tie since Nov. 10, 2002. Eagles QB Donovan McNabb fumbled and threw three interceptions in the game. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports



Manning throws for 320 yards

Peyton Manning led the Indianapolis Colts on four straight scoring drives in the second half, wiping out two Houston leads and giving the Colts a 33-27 victory yesterday. It was the third straight win for Indy, who find themselves back in the mix for an AFC wild card spot.

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Laval, Western advance to Vanier

CIS The No. 3 Western Mustangs will meet No. 1-ranked Laval in the Vanier Cup next Saturday in Hamilton. The Rouge et Or easily beat the No. 6 Calgary Dinos 59-10 in the Uteck Bowl yesterday. Western defeated the Saint Mary's Huskies 28-12 in the Mitchell Bowl.

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Tennessee stays unbeaten

NFL ROUNDUP

Titans 24, Jaguars 14

Kerry Collins and Justin Gage connected on a pair of long touchdowns, including a back-breaking, fourth-quarter toss as Tennessee shook off an 11-point halftime deficit to move to 10-0 for the first time in franchise history with its 24-14 triumph over Jacksonville.

The Titans rushing attack took a back seat to Collins for the second straight week as the veteran completed 13-of-23 passes for 230 yards with 56 and 38-yard TD passes to Gage, who finished with 147 yards receiving on four grabs.

STEELERS 11, CHARGERS 10
Jeff Reed's 32-yard field



Steelers' quarterback Ben Roethlisberger completes a pass to Hines Ward through coverage by the Chargers' Shaun Phillips yesterday. Pittsburgh won 11-10.

goal with 11 seconds remaining gave the Pittsburgh Steelers a narrow 11-10 victory over the San Diego Chargers at a snowy and blustery Heinz Field.

Down 10-8 with 6:41 to play, Pittsburgh marched 73 yards downfield. Ben Roethlisberger converted a

key 3rd-and-6 from the San Diego 41 with a seven-yard completion to Hines Ward, and Santonio Holmes caught a 13-yard pass the play after.

The team ran down the rest of the clock to set up Reed's field goal at the end.

GIANTS 30, RAVENS 10

Brandon Jacobs and Ahmad Bradshaw powered a Giants rushing attack that piled up 207 yards on the vaunted Ravens run defense, as New York kept rolling with a 30-10 pounding of Baltimore.

Jacobs gained 73 yards on 11 carries with two touchdowns on the ground, while Bradshaw gained 96 yards on nine carries for the Giants (9-1), who won their fifth straight after their lone loss of the season, at Cleveland on October 13.

Elsewhere in the NFL it was: Green Bay 37, Bears 3; Denver 24, Atlanta 20; New Orleans 30, Kansas City 20; Miami 17, Oakland 15; Tampa Bay 19, Minnesota 13; Carolina 31, Detroit 22; San Francisco 35, St. Louis 16; and Arizona 26, Seattle 20.

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Sports in brief

SPEED SKATING Christine Nesbitt and Kristina Groves proved to be a powerhouse duo at yesterday's World Cup speedskating meet in the Netherlands. Nesbitt won the 1,000 m final in one minute 16.18 seconds. That was 0.58 seconds ahead of Ottawa's Groves, who also clinched the 1500 on Saturday. Nesbitt, a London, Ont., native also collected a bronze in the 1500.

NHL Darryl Sydor is going back for a third stint with the Dallas Stars. The Stars acquired the defenceman yesterday from the Pens in exchange for blue liner Philippe Boucher.

F1 The 2009 Canadian Grand Prix is officially cancelled after last-ditch government attempts to save the Montreal race failed yesterday. The event drew an estimated \$100 million per year in revenues and economic spinoffs to the city and its loss comes as a blow to the city's tourism industry. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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Workology

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Here thar be monsters

ROBYN YOUNG
for Metro Canada



Who wouldn't want a plush, green monster named Colin who divides his time between playing video games and fretting over the future?

That's what friends Adam Dunn, 31, Bliss Man, 28, and Rhya Tamasauskas, 30, were betting on when they started up their company the Monster Factory five years ago.

They began with a love of monsters, a vision, and six squishy little prototypes.

Now, 85 monsters later, they're in the midst of developing a business plan to outsource manufacturing to China, where a friend will oversee production, in order to increase sales and start making a profit.

It all began with Dunn who was attending the Ontario College of Art and Design film school and formed a production company that he called Monster Factory. Just for fun, he decided to try making some plush monster mascots and called on his friend

Tamasauskas, a fellow art student and friend of Dunn's, had



Rhya Tamasauskas, left, Bliss Man and Adam Dunn show off their monster creations.

an interest in monsters and soft sculpture and joined the pair.

Their first ever "family" of critters was born in 2003 and dozens of them sold at Toronto's One of a Kind Craft Show that year.

"We were cleaned out and we didn't sleep for 11 days," said Man. "That's when we knew we had something really

special."

Each year the "partners" — which is how they like to refer to themselves — have dreamt up 16 new monsters to add to their collection.

They sell their quirky creations directly from their studio, online at monsterfactory.net and at toy exhibitions around the world.

The most challenging part of the job, they all agreed, is coming up with new

characters every year but they have a process.

Someone comes up with an idea, all three develop the design of their new friend, and when the prototype is complete, they decide on a name and give the monster a personality.

Gordon, for instance, is a burly green guy covered in facial hair who, incidentally, loves to play tennis.

"For someone his size, Gordon is surprisingly

nimble on the tennis court," reads his online description.

His wife, Sally, on the other hand, just as burly but not quite as active, has taken up meditation in order to curb her constant fidgeting.

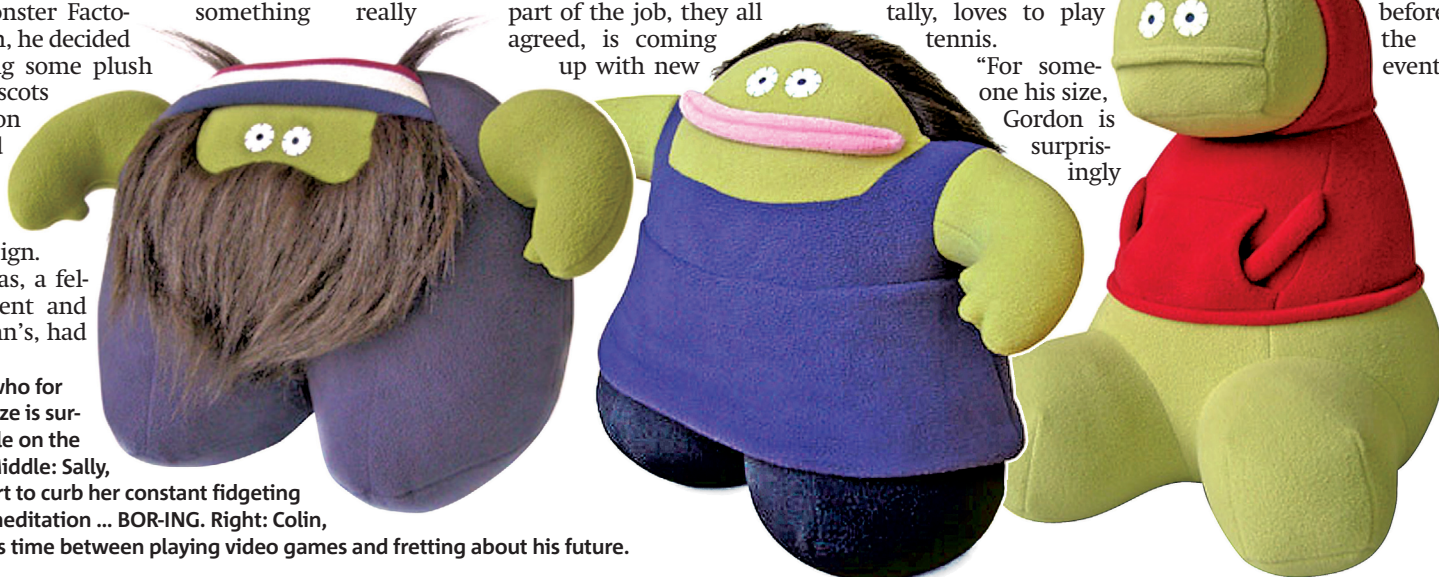
"The three of us all have really big imaginations," said Tamasauskas.

The stuffed toys are becoming more and more popular in Europe and Asia; and in Canada the Monster Factory has its own dedicated fan base that keeps it going despite the fact, they said, marketing always comes last on the list of priorities. The three are so focused on creating their little friends, they almost forget about the business side of things.

"But we're getting better," Tamasauskas said, pointing out they recently sent out an e-mail invite for a studio sale

two weeks before the event.

Left: Gordon, who for someone his size is surprisingly nimble on the tennis court. Middle: Sally, who in an effort to curb her constant fidgeting has taken up meditation ... BOR-ING. Right: Colin, who divides his time between playing video games and fretting about his future.



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Diane Peters



If you think adoption is a straightforward process, talk to Sandra Webb. She's helped couples become parents through Children's Aid and private and international adoptions for the last 13 years.

Back in 1997, the now 56-year-old from Cobourg, Ont., drove with a Quebec couple for eight hours through a cold Russian winter day to meet their child in the hallway of an orphanage. She joined them the next day in court where they legally adopted the baby.

Yes, that was a little unusual. But it's her job to prepare prospective parents for the unexpected and the trying, as well as the wonderful.

As an adoption practitioner, she doesn't normally trip around the globe — although she did go to Russia twice — but spends her



Sandra Webb helps families take children out of orphanages and put them into loving homes.

time talking with prospective parents as part of the home study portion of an adoption.

Once a couple's (or single person's, if that's the case) paperwork is in order — police checks, fingerprint checks and medicals — and once they've completed a special adoption training course, she evaluates them as possible parents. She meets with them at least four times (one interview is always in their home) and collects reference letters from friends and family. The process takes around three months and at the end she pre-

pares a report.

"Yes, it's my job to assess them, and their big concern is whether they'll be approved," she says. "But part of my job is education."

She prepares families for that first meeting with their child and the potential cultural issues when the child comes from a different racial background.

Does she ever "fail" families? "If it was a decision not to adopt, we've made that choice together," she says. That's only happened once or twice.

After a child has been adopted, she also does fol-

lowup visits according to the type of adoption (with China, for instance, the final one is 36 months after adoption).

Webb had a degree in child studies from the University of Guelph when she moved to Cobourg to get married in the early 1970s. She got a job at the Children's Aid Society there, as an intake worker. She eventually started doing some work there with adoptions of crown wards, and loved it.

In 1995, after working on and off for Children's Aid, as well as doing some work in private adoption,

The Lowdown

Job title: Adoption practitioner

Salary: A home study costs about \$2,200

Education/Training: Today, you need a masters and adoption experience to be certified in Ontario; Webb was grandfathered into the system because of her considerable experience

Best Part of the Job: "Being a part of families' lives, during the good and the difficult."

Worst Part of the Job: "When families don't get a child. And when people adopt and they're having huge, huge problems. It's hard watching families struggle."

she officially went into private practice as an adoption practitioner.

She does this half the time and the other half she offers therapy, mainly for families who have adopted and who are struggling. She gets to see it all: the frustration of waiting for a child, the joy of having one finally arrive, plus the challenge of building a brand new family.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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Andress tops Bond girl poll

Original Bond girl Ursula Andress has beat out competition from Halle Berry and Kim Basinger to be named 007's sexiest siren, according to a new online poll by Moviephone.com. **IMDB.COM**

Entertainment

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Sex, lies and Testimony



Testimony

Author: Anita Shreve
Publisher: Little, Brown and Company
Price: \$28.99 (Hardcover)

In Testimony, Oprah's Book Club alumnus Anita Shreve explores how the actions contained on one videotape can change the lives of every person invested in it. When Mike Bordwin, headmaster at New England's Avery Academy, receives a videotape depicting underage sex, he is challenged to properly handle the issue and discover its origin. Through his accounts and those of nearly 20 others involved in the case, a greater picture begins to unfold. Each chapter extends on one character's personal testimonial, unearthing more and more about the emotionally charged video and its consequences.

GlobalStyle

Kenya Hunt

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The Private Lives of Pippa Lee

Author: Rebecca Miller
Publisher: HarperCollins
Price: \$16.50 (Paperback)

BookPicks

Filmmaker, actress and author Rebecca Miller writes about the inevitable downside to stability in her new novel, The Private Lives of Pippa Lee. At 50 years old, the title character, whose youth can be considered little less than tempestuous, has just got used to her simple, suburban lifestyle. When her 80-year-old husband suggests moving to a nursing home to spend his final days, the thought of another drastic life change prompts Pippa to recall her rocky past. The novel was written in near-coincidence with the film adaptation being directed by Miller, which is due out next year.



Titanic's Last Secrets

Author: Brad Matsen
Publisher: Twelve
Price: \$30.99 (Hardcover)

Brad Matsen retells the titanic journey taken by John Chatterton and Richie Kohler, who investigate the ship that sank in 1912 to discover why "The Unsinkable" went down so fast. The book traces the Titanic back to its original construction and eventual destruction, detailing structural errors through exploration and research that contributed to the ship's demise. **BRIAN COULTON/ FOR METRO CANADA**



Gift to Africa

Anthony Edwards agreed to return for E.R.'s final episodes, on condition his paycheck be donated to the African charity Shoe4Africa, which promotes AIDS awareness. **IMDB.COM**

Box office

The following are the top 10 films at the North American box office for the weekend beginning Nov. 14:

- Quantum of Solace:** \$70.4 million US
- Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa:** \$36.1 million
- Role Models:** \$11.7 million
- High School Musical 3: Senior Year:** \$5.9 million

- Changeling:** \$4.2 million
- Zack and Miri Make a Porno:** \$3.2 million
- Soul Men:** \$2.4 million
- The Secret Life of Bees:** \$2.4 million
- Saw V:** \$1.8 million
- The Haunting of Molly Hartley:** \$1.6 million

REUTERS

Entertainment in brief

DEATH The brother of the American Idol contestant found dead near Paula Abdul's home has blamed the star for the incident, imdb.com reports.

SHORTLIST Will Smith, Tom Cruise, Tina Fey and Miley Cyrus have landed on Barbara Walters' 10 Most Fascinating People list, imdb.com reports.

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Metro's Global Photo Challenge has drawn nearly 60,000 entries from Canada and abroad. Vote for your favourite online at metronews.ca/photochallenge.

critics'corner

Dance, Dance, Whoever You May Be

Irish dancing, which attracted worldwide attention with the popularity of "Riverdance" and "Lord of the Dance," is spotlighted in this special, which takes its title from a line in the song "Lord of the Dance." It follows five young dancers preparing to show their steps in a national competition, while also touching on the history and tradition. 10 PM on 40 BVO



Chuck Chuck and Jill (Zachary Levi, Jordana Brewster) are forced to cancel their plans for a weekend getaway when Casey and Sarah (Adam Baldwin, Yvonne Strahovski) tell Chuck he's needed for a mission to find corrupt agents within the CIA. 8 PM on 15 CITY 9 NBC

CSI: Miami Can you believe this show is celebrating 150 episodes this week? It seems like just yesterday that sunscreen was the least of people's problems. But this week, the team races the clock to find a baby kidnapped by a killer in hopes of keeping the child from becoming the next victim. 10 PM on 13 CBS 7 CTV 104 CTV

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Bear Grylls expecting a new cub
Man vs. Wild star Bear Grylls and his wife Shara are expecting their third son. The baby is due in January and the couple is considering the name Huckleberry for their new addition. **PEOPLE.COM**

Celebrity Buzz

Activists flour Lohan

CONTROVERSY Lindsay Lohan's trip to France turned sour early on Saturday



morning when she was showered with flour at a Paris club, imdb.com reports.

An anti-fur activist covered the actress with flour as she was partying with friends on the city's famous Champs-Élysées.

"Lindsay Lohan — fur hag!" he yelled, as the actress stood fuming after the attack.

"Lindsay was mortified and then furious," a bystander says. "She's in Paris supporting her girlfriend, DJ Samantha Ronson, and I think she was planning a flour-free weekend."

It's believed the flour thrower was connected to animal rights group People For The Ethical Treatment of Animals (PE-

TA), which has attacked Lohan in recent days for wearing fur coats. "She was named on PETA's annual Worst Dressed List earlier this year," a statement from PETA reads.

PETA Europe's Robbie LeBlanc has applauded the flour attack on Lohan, stating, "There is nothing remotely fashionable about the torture and death of animals killed for fur."

"Lindsay Lohan might be able to ignore images of bloody animals skinned alive for their pelts, but we hope a dash of flour will help her rise to the occasion and forsake fur once and for all."

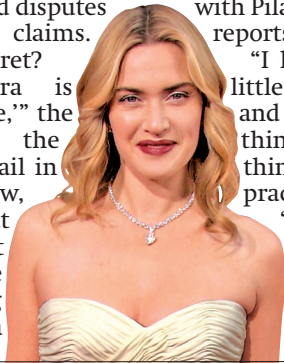
A spokesperson for Lohan was unavailable for comment.

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No body doubles for Winslet

HEALTH Kate Winslet doesn't use a body double in her movies and disputes weight-loss claims. What's her secret?

"My mantra is 'keep it simple,'" the actress tells the U.K.'s Daily Mail in a new interview, revealing that she cooks at home and she eats anything except pasta



— "it gives me a stomach ache." She also exercises with Pilates, People.com reports.

"I have a mat and little hand weights and I do a stomach thing and a bum thing," she says of practising to a DVD "on the living room carpet."

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Matenopoulos' husband files for divorce

SPLIT TV personality Debbie Matenopoulos says she is hurt — and surprised — by her husband's divorce filing, which she learned about from Internet reports, People.com reports.

"I am extremely saddened by the dissolution of my seven-year relationship with my husband," the host of E!'s Daily 10 told People. Jay Faires, a music executive, filed for divorce,

citing irreconcilable differences, according to Los Angeles court papers filed Wednesday. Faires, who wed Matenopoulos, 33, in July 2003 and separated from her in March 2008.

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Theron named a Messenger of Peace

APPOINTMENT Charlize Theron has been named a United Nations Messenger Of Peace for her work towards ending violence against women, imdb.com reports.

The actress was awarded the title on Friday, joining the ranks of fellow actors George Clooney, Michael Douglas and musician Yo-Yo Ma. U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon bestowed the honour on Theron.

"You have used your voice, compassion and special relationship with the public to create a better world," Ki-moon said.

Celebrities chosen as messengers of peace are asked to promote U.N. activities and ideals through public appearances and media contacts.

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Beyoncé was in 'no rush'

MARRIAGE Beyoncé, who has always been tight-lipped about her marriage to Jay-Z, is finally giving some insight into her thoughts about tying the knot, People.com reports.

"I was 18 when we first met, 19 when we first started dating. There was no rush," the singer tells Seventeen in its December/January issue, due out Tuesday. "I really don't believe that you will love the same thing when you're 20 as

you do at 30."

The singer says she wanted to have a strong sense of self before making a lifelong commitment to anyone.

"Before the age of 25, I would never get married," says Beyoncé, 27. "I feel like you have to get to know yourself, know what you want, spend some time by yourself, and be proud of who you are before you can share that with someone else."

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Jonas denies he cheated on Swift

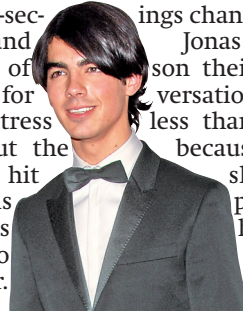
RELATIONSHIPS Jonas Brothers star Joe Jonas has denied cheating on ex-girlfriend Taylor Swift, attributing the breakup to "a change of heart," imdb.com reports.

Jonas came under fire recently after Swift revealed he had ended their relationship in a 27-second phone call and accused him of dumping her for less than 30 seconds in 10,000 BC actress Camille Belle. But the singer has now hit the back, and is adamant he was never unfaithful to the country singer.

"I never cheated on a girlfriend," he writes on the band's official blog. "It might make someone feel better to assume or imply I have been unfaithful but it is simply not true. Maybe there were reasons for a breakup. Maybe the heart moved on. Perhaps feelings changed."

Jonas insists the reason their break-up conversation took place in less than 30 seconds is because Swift slammed the phone down on him.

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Vardalos, husband adopt girl

ADOPTION Nia Vardalos, the breakout star of the 2002 hit My Big Fat Greek Wedding, has adopted a child, People.com reports.

The little girl, whose name has not been released, is the first for the 46-year-old actress and her husband, Ian Gomez, E! Online reports. The couple adopted the toddler,

who is less than five years old, several months ago. "They are going public now to bring attention to National Adoption Month and the 500,000 children in foster care," according to a statement from Vardalos' rep. "Of these children, 129,000 are 'legally free' for adoption."

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Jewel eager to start family

PEOPLE Singer Jewel is eager to start a family now that she's a married woman, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The newlywed has revealed she plans to conclude her tour commitments and then start preparing for parenthood with her husband Ty Murray.

"We want to start a family. I hope to tour next year and start a family," Jewel says. The couple married in August.

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Sigler glad she didn't have kids

PEOPLE Former Sopranos star Jamie-Lynn Sigler is "glad" she didn't have children with her ex-husband, as she was too young and "misguided" to start a family, imdb.com reports.

The 27-year-old actress married her agent, A.J. Discola, in 2003 but they split just two years later.

And Sigler is happy she didn't follow her initial instinct to have a baby with her former partner.

"(I was) often misguided and misled," she tells New York Post's Page Six magazine. "I didn't know who I was. I was living in an idealistic dream world — like, 'I have a successful show and this handsome man, and I'm 22

and I'm getting married and may have a baby next year!' But, man, am I glad we didn't have children."

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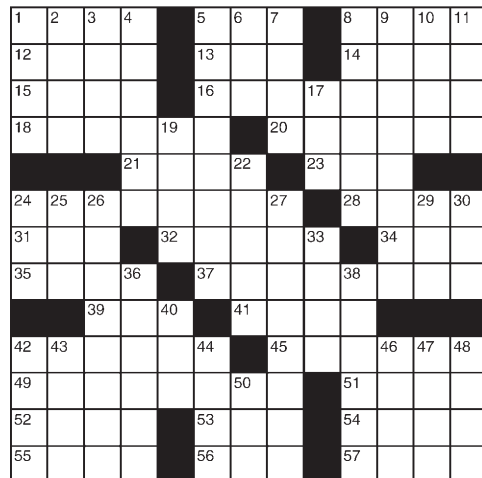
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Crossword across

- 1 Donate
5 Floor cleaner
8 Sail support
12 Mideast gulf
13 First lady?
14 Reverberate
15 Approach
16 Quebecois, e.g.
18 Half a pair of winter boots
20 Teeny bit
21 October birthstone
23 Deposit
24 Southwestern saloons
28 Vegan's no-no
31 Lingerie item

- 32 Shy
34 Hot tub
35 Collections
37 Flour receptacle
39 Hostel
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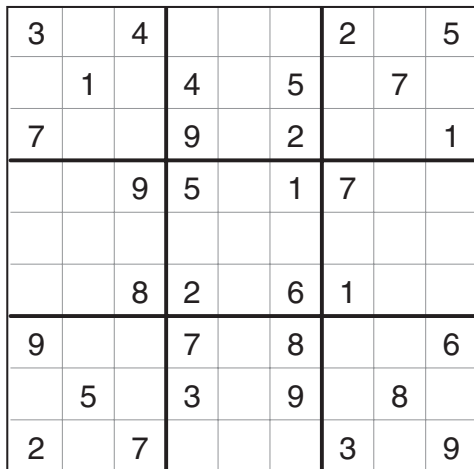
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5 Garage worker
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9 Severe trial
10 Carpet style
11 Coloration quality
17 Rock concert need
19 Skewer
22 Actor Lorenzo
24 Couric's network
25 Exist
26 Countrywide

- 27 "The Jungle" author
29 Gorilla
30 Paving material
33 Rotary phone feature
36 Persnickety
38 Intelligence
40 Born
42 Cicatrix
43 Tortoise's opponent
44 Conga, e.g.
46 Ark builder
47 Earthenware pot
48 Appear
50 Bat stat

Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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TRUE	BLUE	OILY	1	6	5	8	2	4	3	9	7
TETRA	SOW		4	1	8	2	3	5	9	7	6
ICY	SUNTAN		2	9	6	1	8	7	4	3	5
SPACY	JET	ETA	5	7	3	4	6	9	1	8	2
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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:	17-21 minSmart
Under 13 minGenius	21-25 minNot bad
13-17 minScholar	25+ minKeep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day



Bulgur Wheat and Shrimp Salad

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/3 cup (400 mL) bulgur wheat
1 small red onion, very thinly sliced
1 carrot, coarsely grated
1 tomato, diced
6 baby corn cobs, sliced into rounds
1/2 cucumber, diced
7 oz (200 g) shelled cooked shrimp

LIME AND CHILI DRESSING:

- 4 tbsp (60 mL) extra-virgin olive oil
2 tbsp (25 mL) lime juice
1 garlic clove, crushed
1/4 tsp (1 mL) dried chili flakes
Salt and fresh-ground black pepper

METHOD:

1. Put bulgur wheat in a saucepan over medium heat and pour over 2 2/3 cups (650 mL) water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until

bulgur wheat is tender and water is absorbed, about 10 minutes. Tip bulgur wheat onto a flat dish, spread out and leave to cool slightly.

2. Combine onion, carrot, tomato, corn, cucumber and shrimp in a large salad bowl. Add cooked bulgur wheat and stir together.
3. For dressing, put oil, lime juice, garlic, chili flakes, and salt and pepper to taste in a small bowl. Whisk with a fork until combined. Stir dressing into salad, tossing to coat all ingredients evenly. If not serving immediately, cover and keep in the refrigerator.

SERVES 4



Horoscopes

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Closure is found in a restraining relationship. Whimsy is needed to cheer a depressed friend. Ethical actions will bring joy to your home.



TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21
A debate leads to moody tantrums. Prepare for an increased need for privacy. Someone wants to live with you.



LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23
Cunning friends will use rational analysis. A demure smile gets a response. Conceal your impatience when dealing with an important person.



SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22
A romance is impossible today. An authority figure's gestures make a profound impression. Avoid using trickery to get what you want.



GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21
Apprehension is diminished by excellent news. A sudden reversal causes resentment. An ambitious person needs time alone to plan.



SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21
Versatility helps to turn a new page in your life. Commotion arises after an angry remark is made. Whispered words tell a tale of uncertainty.



CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22
A habit causes distress for a close friend. Worrying about things will waste precious time. Strange conversations will raise eyebrows.



CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20
Someone's misconception leads to alienation. An opinionated person strains your patience. If something's not working, don't try to fix it.



LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23
You must carve out your own path. There's uncertainty about how others feel. An unusual person is quite attracted to you.



AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
Expect help in a troublesome situation. There's news of a wedding, a birth and an illness. Refuse to bow down to authority.



VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22
People comment on your blissful preoccupation. Unavoidable delays hamper movements. Be aware of your effect on other people.



PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20
Children's laughter brings you good luck. Clear away the rubble of the past and get on with your life. Flattery will get you nowhere.



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Every answer is a rhyming pair of words (like FAT CAT and DOUBLE TROUBLE), and they will fit in the letter squares. The number after the definition tells you how many syllables in each word.

- Everyone moves on all fours (1)
- Atlas space-to-do (1)
- Jeff's comics page pal's cashews (1)
- Bring bad luck to psychiatrists (1)
- Job dismissal ultimate benefit (2)
- Appeared hopping mad (1)
- Next-door folks' toils (2)

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This day in history

- NOV. 17, 1558: Elizabethan era begins: Queen Mary I of England dies and is succeeded by her half-sister Elizabeth I of England.
NOV. 17, 1800: The United States Congress holds its first session in Washington, D.C.
NOV. 17, 1947: The U.S. Screen Actors Guild implements an anti-Communist loyalty oath.
NOV. 17, 1970: Douglas Engelbart receives the patent for the first computer mouse.
NOV. 17, 1973: Watergate scandal: In Orlando, Florida, U.S. President Richard Nixon tells 400 Associated Press managing editors, "I am not a crook."

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